A Predictive Control Perspective on Electricity Markets

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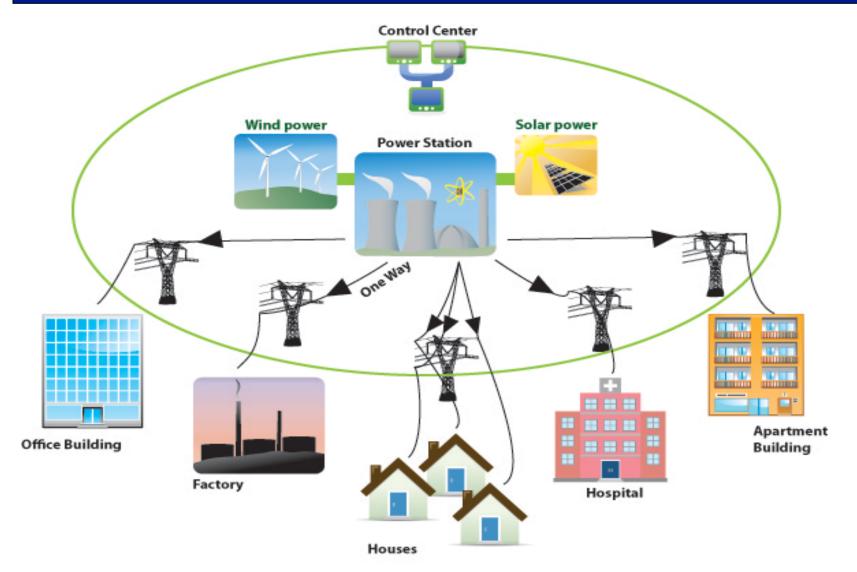
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1. Motivation

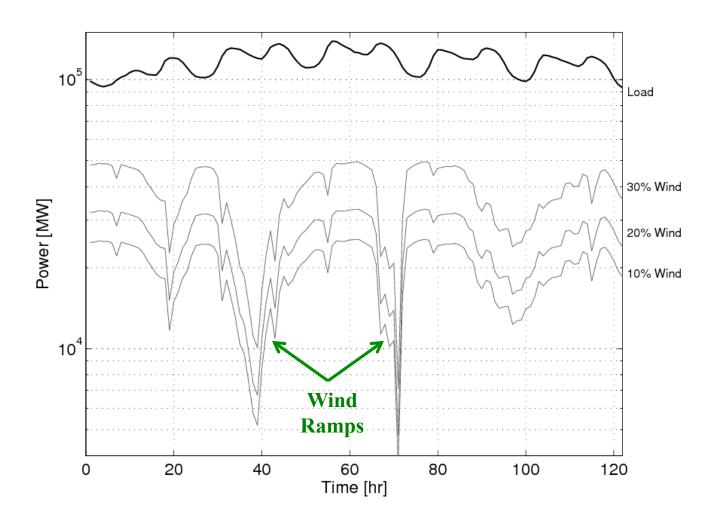
Current Grid



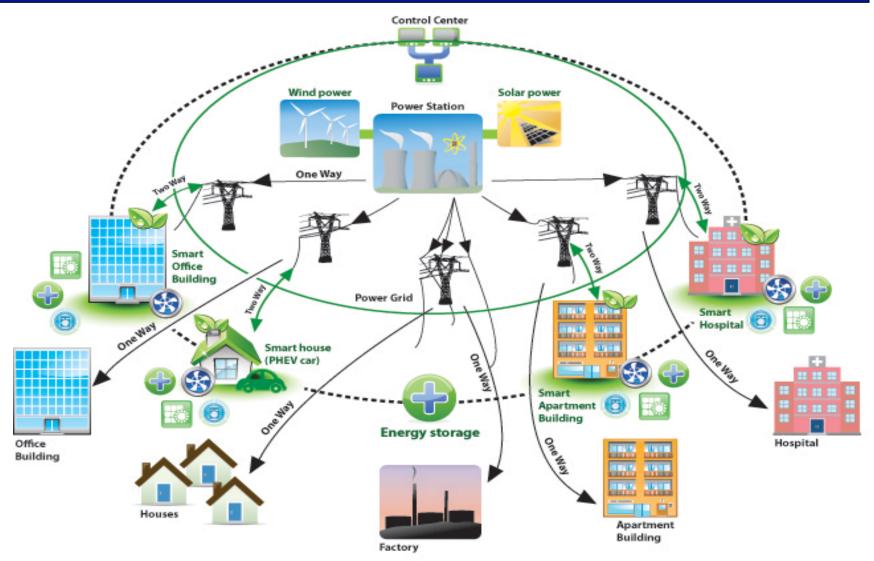
 $\sim 70\%$ Electricity from Central Coal Plants – CO_2 Emissions Limited Market Control – Demands are Inelastic, No Storage, Slow Generation Cannot Sustain High Renewable Supply -Intermittent-

Renewable Supply

Supply -Wind- and Elastic Demands Vary at <u>Higher Frequencies</u>



Next-Generation Grid

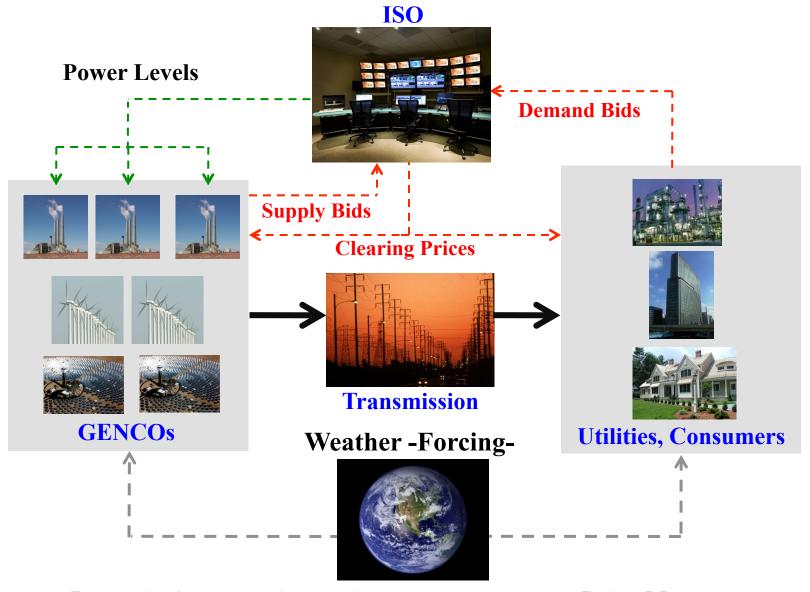


Major Adoption of Renewables -30%-

Real-Time Pricing + Demand Response - Elastic Demands-

Huge Investments in Natural Gas Generation – Faster Response

Electricity Markets



Dynamic & Uncertain <u>Forcing Factors</u> -Weather- Drive Markets

<u>Volatility</u> Due to Market Friction: (Generation Ramping, Congestion)

State (?) of Energy Markets Modeling

- Time-series models: (P. Skantze et al., 2000, Conejo et al. 2005).
- Agent-based models: (Veit et al., 2006, Bower and Bunn, 2000).
- Game-theoretical models (Baldick and Hogan, 2002; Hobbs et al. 2000).

- These models tend to be static (assume some for of steady-state behavior e.g. periodicity of the dynamic drivers).
- Useful for planning and market design.
- But we expect they cannot explain coupled effect of dynamics constraints and nonstationary behavior) of dynamics drivers on future price stability.

- Recent, interest in game-theoretical dynamical market models (Mookherjee et al. 2008, de la Torre et al. 2003,).
- We pursue this direction further looking to enhance stability results.

Do we have empirical evidence of Instability/ Dynamics

- California prices (An empirical examination of restructured electricity prices Knittel, MR Roberts Energy Economics, 2005).
- Clearly, not driven ONLY by the demand (7/7-7/8) so preceding state plays a role points to dynamics.
- Also pointed out by very high correlation at lag 1 (though this by itself is indicative but not confirmatory).
- If this were a mechanical or electrical system and this were the signal, you would likely argue it was not stable but this is just a qualitative judgment at the moment.

Figure 4 in Knittel

Figure 2 in Knittel

State (?) of Electricity Market Modeling

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2. Predictive Control Framework		

Predictive Control Framework

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{b_t^i, \Delta b_t^i} \sum_{t \in \mathcal{T}_k} \left(p_t \cdot b_t^i \cdot p_t - c_t^i \left(b_t^i \cdot p_t \right) \right) \\ \text{s.t. } \underline{q}^i \leq b_t^i \cdot p_t \leq \overline{q}^i, \ t \in \mathcal{T}_k \end{aligned} \qquad \qquad d_t^j = n_t^j - \gamma_t^j \cdot p_t \\ b_t^i \geq 0, \ t \in \mathcal{T}_k \end{aligned} \qquad \begin{aligned} \text{Supply Curve} \\ \text{(Hui et al.)} \qquad \qquad & \\ b_t^i \leftarrow \left[q_t^i = b_t^i \left(p_t - a_t^i \right) \right] \quad n_t^j, \gamma_t^j \end{aligned} \qquad \begin{aligned} \text{Consumers} \end{aligned}$$

Current Markets: Game Runs Incompletely (Jacobi-Like Iteration)

Properties of the involved problems.

$$\begin{aligned} & \max_{b_t^i, \Delta b_t^i} \sum_{t \in \mathcal{T}_k} \left(p_t \cdot b_t^i \cdot p_t - c_t^i \left(b_t^i \cdot p_t \right) \right) \\ & \text{Suplier} \\ & \text{Problem} \end{aligned} \\ & \text{s.t. } \underline{q}^i \leq b_t^i \cdot p_t \leq \overline{q}^i, \ t \in \mathcal{T}_k \\ & b_t^i \geq 0, \ t \in \mathcal{T}_k \\ & c_t^i(q_t^i) = h_t^i \cdot q_t^i + \frac{1}{2} g_t^i \cdot (q_t^i)^2. \end{aligned}$$

Property 1 If $p_t \ge 0$, $a_t^i = 0$, and $g_t^i \ge 0$, problem (5) is convex. If $p_t > 0$, the problem has a feasible solution for any $\underline{q}^i, \overline{q}^i \ge 0$. If $p_t = 0$, the problem admits a solution only

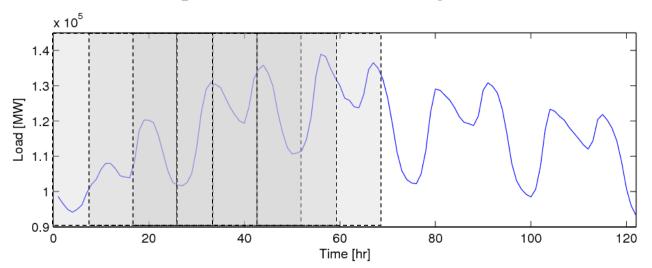
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Property 2 If $b_t^i \geq 0$, problem (8) is convex. The problem has a feasible solution if $\sum_{i \in \mathcal{S}} \underline{q}^i \leq \sum_{j \in \mathcal{C}} d_j^t \leq \sum_{i \in \mathcal{S}} \overline{q}^i$ holds. If $b_t^i > 0$, feasibility holds for any $\underline{q}_t^i, \overline{q}_t^i \geq 0$. If $b_t^i = 0$, the problem admits a solution only if $q_t^i = 0$.

Predictive Control Framework

Current Markets: Game Implemented Over Receding Horizon – Load



At k solve over $\mathcal{T}_k = \{k, ..., k+T\} \Rightarrow$ Implement Price p_k

At k+1 solve over $\mathcal{T}_{k+1} = \{k+1,...,k+1+T\} \Rightarrow$ Implement Price p_{k+1}

Key Issues:

- How to Measure **Dynamic** Market Stability?
- Stability Conditions Under Finite Horizon
- Stability Conditions Under Incomplete Gaming
- Robustness Bounds
- Effect of Market Design: Frequency, Horizon, Strategic, Stabilizing Constraints
- Effect of Mechanistic Effects: Ramps, Topology, Congestion

Dynamic Optimization and DVI.

• Connection to DVI – it is a dynamic (sequential? Recursive?) discrete optimization/VI problem

It has the same structure as time-stepping for DVI

$$y^{h,(i+1)} = y^{h,i} + h\tilde{f}(\tilde{t}^{h,(i+1)}, \theta_1 y^{h,i} + (1 - \theta_1) y^{h,(i+1)}, x^{h,(i+1)})$$

$$x^{h,(i+1)} \in SOL(K; \tilde{F}(\tilde{t}^{h,(i+1)}, \theta_2 y^{h,i} + (1 - \theta_2) y^{h,(i+1)}, \cdot))$$

$$y(0) = y_0.$$

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3. Stability and Robustness		

Market Stability (A Proposal)

Constrained Market Clearing

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Unconstrained Market Clearing (Utopia)

$$\min_{q_t^i} \quad \sum_{t \in \mathcal{T}_k} \varphi_t = \sum_{t \in \mathcal{T}_k} \sum_{i \in \mathcal{S}} \int_0^{q_t^i} p_t(q, b_t^i) dq$$
 s.t.
$$\sum_{i \in \mathcal{S}} q_t^i \ge \sum_{j \in \mathcal{C}} d_t^j, \ t \in \mathcal{T}_k \qquad (\bar{p}_t)$$

$$\underline{q}^i \le q_t^i \le \overline{q}^i, \ i \in \mathcal{S}, t \in \mathcal{T}_k,$$

Property: For Fixed b_t^i , $\bar{arphi}_t \leq arphi_t, orall t \in \mathcal{T}_k$

 $oldsymbol{\overline{arphi}}_{t}$

Definition: Market Efficiency. $\eta_t = \frac{\bar{\varphi}_t}{\varphi_t} \in [0,1]$

Definition: Market Stability. The market given by the ISO/Supplier/Consumer game is stable if, given $\eta_0 \in \{\eta \mid \eta \geq \epsilon\}$ we have generation and demand sequences such that $\eta_t \in \{\eta \mid \eta \geq \epsilon\}$, $\forall t$.

Lyapunov Stability

Lyapunov Function = <u>Indicator Function</u> (Sufficient Conditions, Compare Designs)

Definition: Market Summarizing State.

$$\delta_{t+1} = \alpha(\eta_{t+1}, \epsilon) \cdot \delta_t$$
 with $\alpha(\eta, \epsilon) \leq 1$ iff $\eta \leq \epsilon$.

Observations: - Market Stability Implies Stability of Origin for Summarizing State - Maximizing Efficiency Implies Minimizing Summarizing State

Abstract ISO (AISO) Clearing Problem:

$$\begin{aligned} & \underset{u_{\mathcal{T}_k^-}}{\min} \ \sum_{t \in \mathcal{T}_k^-} (\delta_{t+1} - \delta_t) \\ & \text{s.t. } u_{\mathcal{T}_k} \in \Omega(\delta_k, d_{\mathcal{T}_k}) \\ & \delta_{t+1} = \alpha(\eta_{t+1}, \epsilon) \cdot \delta_t, \ t \in \mathcal{T}_k^- \\ & \eta_t \geq \epsilon, \ t \in \mathcal{T}_k \longleftarrow \\ & \delta_k = \text{given.} \end{aligned}$$
 Extra stabilizing Constraint

Candidate Lyapunov Function.

$$V_T(\delta_k, d_{\mathcal{T}_k}) := -\sum_{t \in \mathcal{T}_k^-} (\delta_{t+1} - \delta_t) = \delta_k - \delta_{k+T}.$$

Lyapunov Stability

Infinite Horizon: If game with horizon $T=\infty$ is feasible for AISO then, the market

is stable.

Proof:

$$\begin{split} \Delta V_T(\delta_k) &= V_\infty(\delta_{k+1}, m_{\mathcal{T}_{k+1}}) - V_\infty(\delta_k, m_{\mathcal{T}_k}) \\ &= \sum_{t=k+1}^\infty (\delta_t^{k+1} - \delta_{t+1}^{k+1}) - \sum_{t=k}^\infty (\delta_t^k - \delta_{t+1}^k) \\ &= \left(\delta_{k+1} - \delta_\infty^{k+1}\right) - \left(\delta_k - \delta_\infty^k\right) \\ &= -\left(\delta_k - \delta_{k+1}\right) \\ &= (\alpha(\eta_{k+1}, \epsilon) - 1) \cdot \delta_k \quad \text{Accumulation Term, negative by} \\ &\leq 0 \quad \qquad \text{enforcing proposal} \end{split}$$

Finite Horizon: Define Terminal Cost:

$$\Xi_k^1 := |V_T(\delta_{k+1}, m_{\mathcal{T}_{k+1}}) - V_{T-1}(\delta_{k+1}, m_{\mathcal{T}_k})|, \ \Xi_k^1 \to 0, \ T \to \infty$$

Finite Horizon: If game with horizon $T < \infty$ is feasible and the terminal cost is bounded by accumulation term, then the market is stable.

Proof:

$$\Delta V_T(\delta_k) = V_T(\delta_{k+1}, m_{\mathcal{T}_{k+1}}) - V_T(\delta_k, m_{\mathcal{T}_k})$$

$$= (\alpha(\eta_{k+1}, \epsilon) - 1) \cdot \delta_k + \Xi_k^1$$

$$< 0$$

- Price Volatility Related to Ramp Limits $||p_t \bar{p}_t|| \le L(||\bar{r} \bar{q}|| + ||\underline{r} \underline{q}||)$
- -Key Outcome: Incomplete Gaming Cannot be Guaranteed to be Stable
 - Stabilizing Constraint "Filters Out" Spurious Bids

Stability of the Game Formulation – A Lemma

Lemma 1 Consider the following block matrix (where the diagonal blocks are square).

$$L = \begin{bmatrix} G & 0 & 0 & A & 0 \\ I & P & 0 & BH & 0 \\ 0 & -B^{-2} & B^{-1} & M^T & N^T \\ 0 & 0 & M & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & N & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

We make the following assumptions:

- [A1] The matrix G is invertible.
- [A2] The matrices P, B are diagonal and positive, with entries equal to the prices p_t and bidding parameters b_i^t , respectively.
- [A3] The blocks G, P, B have the same dimensions.
- [A4] The matrix $[M^TN^T]$ has full column rank.
- [A5] The diagonal entries of B are bounded below.

Then, there exist positive values q_*, p_* , independent of G such that, if $p_t \cdot b_t^i > q_*$ and $p_t > p_*$, then the matrix L is nonsingular.

Stability of the game formulation: Results

Theorem 1 Let J be the reduced Jacobian of the game (5) and (11) (the Jacobian of the coupled KKT conditions of the game, with the variables that reached their bounds eliminated). Then, if at a solution of the game each of the optimization problems satisfies LICQ and the prices p_t , $t \in \mathcal{T}$ and the production q_t^i , $t \in \mathcal{T}$, $i \in \mathcal{S}$ values are large enough, then J is invertible.

• If we have strict complementarity, this is sufficient to show stability

Theorem 2 Assume that a solution of the unconstrained game $\bar{\varphi}_t, \bar{p}_t, \bar{\eta} = 1, t \in \mathcal{T}$ given by (7) and (10) is locally stable. Then, there exist Lipschitz constants $L_{\varphi}, L_p, L_{\eta} \geq 0$ such that the solution of the constrained game $\varphi_t, p_t, \eta_t, t \in \mathcal{T}$ given by (7) and (11) satisfies,

$$\begin{aligned} |\varphi_t - \bar{\varphi}_t| &\leq L_{\varphi} \sum_{i \in \mathcal{S}} \left(|\overline{r}^i - (\overline{q}^i - \underline{q}^i)| + |\underline{r}^i - (\overline{q}^i - \underline{q}^i)| \right) \\ |p_t - \bar{p}_t| &\leq L_p \sum_{i \in \mathcal{S}} \left(|\overline{r}^i - (\overline{q}^i - \underline{q}^i)| + |\underline{r}^i - (\overline{q}^i - \underline{q}^i)| \right) \\ |\eta_t - 1| &\leq L_{\eta} L_{\varphi} \sum_{i \in \mathcal{S}} \left(|\overline{r}^i - (\overline{q}^i - \underline{q}^i)| + |\underline{r}^i - (\overline{q}^i - \underline{q}^i)| \right). \end{aligned}$$

• Therefore our proposal "stabilizing" program will be feasible if ramp rates are large enough (and this includes a non trivial range).

Robustness

Effect of Forecast Errors

Define Cost Perturbation:

Predicted State with Forecast
$$\equiv^2_k := |V_T(\overline{\delta}_{k+1}, m_{\mathcal{T}_{k+1}}) - V_T(\delta_{k+1}, m_{\mathcal{T}_{k+1}})|.$$

Key: Boundedness of Perturbation Requires Game – Numerical- Stability.

Numerical Stability: If at a solution of the game the players problems satisfy LICQ and the <u>clearing prices are sufficiently large</u>, the solution is stable and Lipschitz continuous on the data.

$$\max_{\substack{b_t^i, \Delta b_t^i \\ \text{s.t. } \underline{q}^i \leq b_t^i \cdot p_t \leq \overline{q}^i, \ t \in \mathcal{T}_k}} \left(p_t \cdot b_t^i \cdot p_t - c_t^i \left(b_t^i \cdot p_t \right) \right)$$

$$\text{s.t. } \underline{q}^i \leq b_t^i \cdot p_t \leq \overline{q}^i, \ t \in \mathcal{T}_k$$

$$p_t \to 0 \text{ Destroys Curvature (Excess Supply)}$$

Robust Finite Horizon: If game with horizon $T<\infty$ is feasible and the terminal cost and cost perturbation are bounded by accumulation term, then the market is stable. Similar result for incompletely converged game.

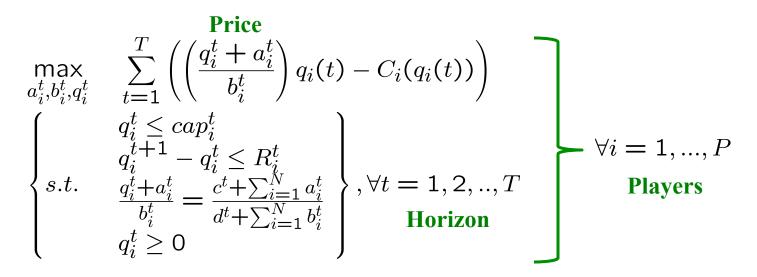
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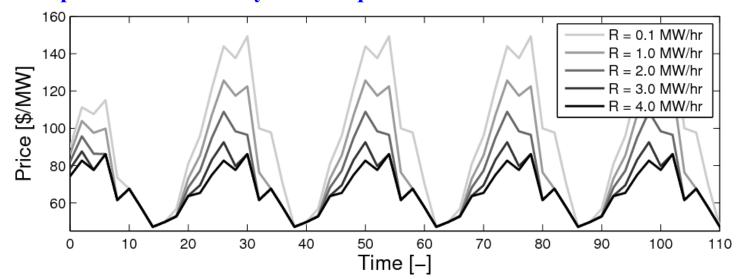
Dynamic Electricity Markets

Supply Function-Based Dynamic Game Models Kannan & Zavala., 2010

- Linear Complementarity Problem



Effect of Ramp Constraints on Dynamic Equilibria



Effects of Incomplete Gaming

- In reality, the gaming is not complete (e.g. the suppliers never use the converged prices in their bids).
- What is the effect of incomplete gaming on stability?
- Problem we would like to solve

$$\min_{b_t \in K_b} f^b(b_t, q_t) \Leftrightarrow \min_{q_t \in K_q} f^q(b_t, q_t)$$

• Incomplete solution:

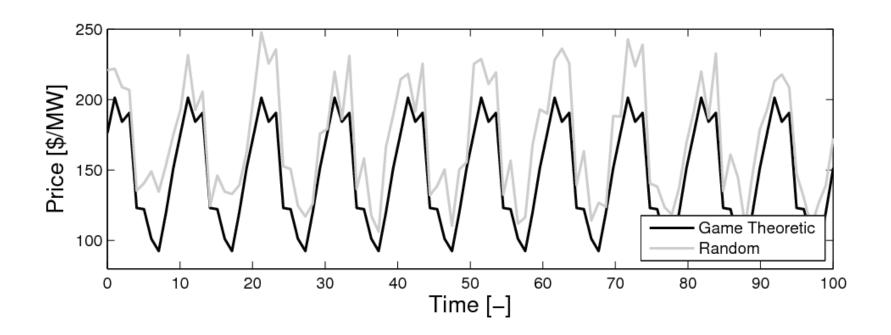
$$b_t^{(k)} = \operatorname{arg\,min}_{b_t \in K_b} f^b(b_t, q_t^{(k-1)}) \Rightarrow q_t^{(k)} = \operatorname{min}_{q_t \in K_q} f^q(b_t^{(k)}, q_t) -$$

• Some references argue that current way market works is one or a few such (GS) iterations.

Dynamic Electricity Markets

Non-Gaming Behavior

Some Players -Intentionally or Unintentionally- Bid Suboptimally Introduces Noise in Equilibrium – Can be Inferred from Data



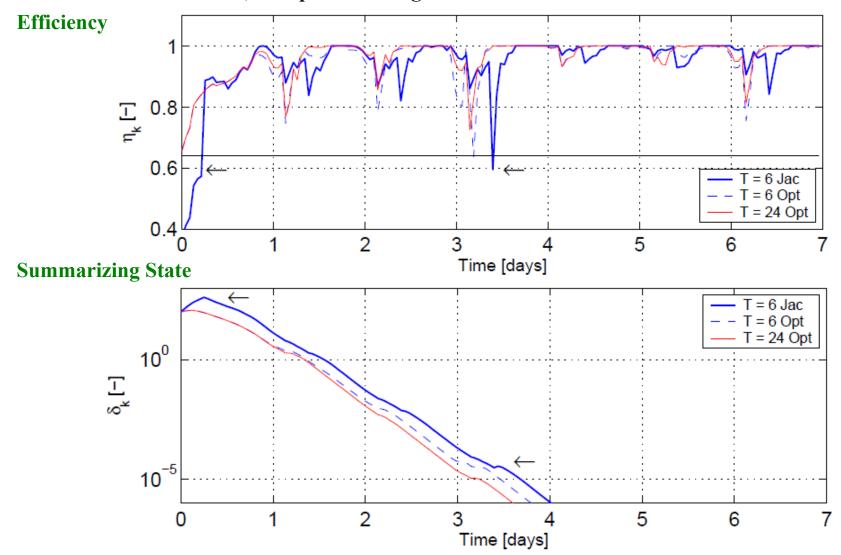
Huge Potential for Dynamic Market Models

- Mechanistic Price Forecasting, Market Design and Monitoring
- Data Assimilation and State Estimation

Stability

Consider 3 Market Designs

- 6 Hours Horizon, Incomplete Gaming
- 6 Hours Horizon, Complete Gaming
- 24 Hours Horizon, Complete Gaming

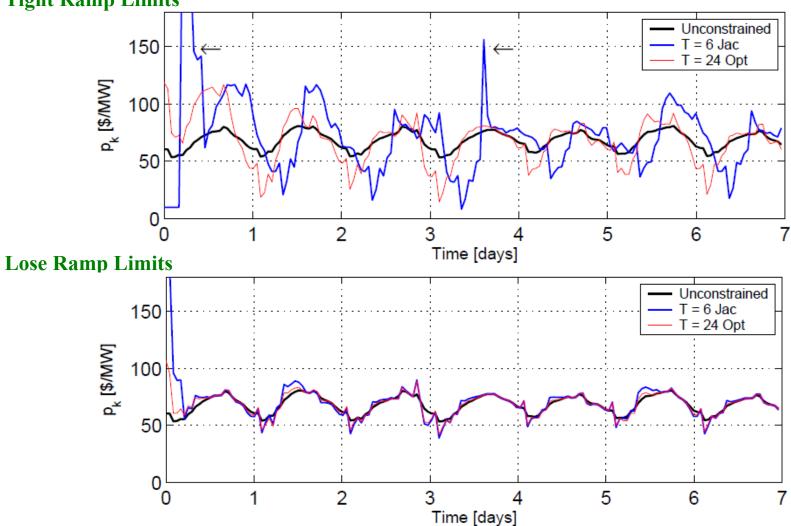


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5. Conclusions and Open Questions	

Conclusions and Open Questions

Predictive Control Provides a Framework for Market Analysis

- Advantage: Captures Mechanistic and Physical Effects
- Advantage: Captures Decision-Making Rationale (Receding Horizon)
- Issue: Market Inherently Dynamic (No Natural Equilibrium)
- Issue: Market Stability and Efficiency Definitions are Subjective

Potential Extensions:

- Day-Ahead and Real-Time Markets
- Stochastic Formulations (Effects of Risk on Stability)
- Distributed Optimization Algorithms
- Continuous-Time (Closer to Physical Domain)
- Alternative Designs (Stabilizing Constraints)

Alternative Frameworks: Stochastic Stability

Alternative Definitions: Economic Efficiency and Price Volatility

Theoretical Analysis:

- How do we choose epsilon?
- Extend stability beyond strict complementarity
- Differential Variational Inequalities?

Market Instability and Ramp Constraints

$$c_1 = 50\$/MW$$

$$r_1 = 1MW/hr$$

$$c_2 = 200\$/MW$$

$$r_2 = 15MW/hr$$

$$c_3 = 28MW \rightarrow L_3^{t+1} = 26MW$$

$$\lambda^t = 50\$/MW(28,0) \rightarrow \lambda^{t+1} = 50\$/MW(26,0)$$

Ramp Constraints (No Foresight)

$$G_{t-1}^1 = 27MW$$

 $G_{t-1}^2 = 1MW$ $\lambda^t = 50\$/MW(28,0) \to \lambda^{t+1} = 0\$/MW(27,0)$

Ramp Constraints (No Foresight)

$$G_{t-1}^1 = 26MW$$
 $\lambda^t = 50\$/MW(27, 1) \rightarrow \lambda^{t+1} = 50\$/MW(26, 0)$ $\lambda^t = 50\$/MW(27, 1) \rightarrow \lambda^{t+1} = 50\$/MW(26, 0)$

Ramp Constraints (with Foresight)

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Ramps Lead to Market Volatility – <u>Propagation</u> Through Initial Conditions (Need Foresight)

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